

S-290
John T. Long House
Hopewell vicinity
private

c. 1900, rear
wing c. 1840

Under an exterior layer of aluminum is a house that dates ^{from} two periods. The main block was erected during the late nineteenth century, while the one-room kitchen predates the Civil War. Both sections survive with period woodwork, however the most significant features remain in the kitchen. The one-room kitchen interior has a series of exposed floor joists and a paneled hearth wall. A flat panel overmantel is flanked by a Federal period glazed cupboard and an enclosed winder stair. A portion of beaded weatherboards remains exposed on the southeast side of the kitchen which is now covered by a shed roofed porch.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. S-290

Magi No. 2002905604

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common John T. Long House

2. Location

street & number Airport Road 2 700 2/2/23 not for publicationcity, town Crisfield X vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Somerset

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<u> </u> district	<u> </u> public	<u>X</u> occupied	<u> </u> agriculture
<u>X</u> building(s)	<u>X</u> private	<u> </u> unoccupied	<u> </u> commercial
<u> </u> structure	<u> </u> both	<u> </u> work in progress	<u> </u> educational
<u> </u> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<u> </u> entertainment
<u> </u> object	<u> </u> in process	<u>X</u> yes: restricted	<u> </u> government
	<u> </u> being considered	<u> </u> yes: unrestricted	<u> </u> industrial
	<u>X</u> not applicable	<u> </u> no	<u> </u> military
			<u> </u> museum
			<u> </u> park
			<u>X</u> private residence
			<u> </u> religious
			<u> </u> scientific
			<u> </u> transportation
			<u> </u> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Reba P. Long

street & number Airport Road telephone no.:

city, town Crisfield state and zip code MD 21817

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset Clerk of Court liber

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio

city, town Princess Anne state MD 21853

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The John T. Long house is located on the south side of Jacksonville Road near the intersection of Airport Road, approximately .25 of a mile west of Hopewell, Somerset County, Maryland. The two-story c. 1880 frame house faces northeast with the principal gable running on a northwest/southeast axis. Extending to the rear is an earlier c. 1840 one-room plan kitchen that was evidently moved to this site.

The L-shaped frame house is supported by an infilled brick pier foundation and is uniformly sheathed with aluminum siding. Both the front and rear sections are covered by steeply pitched asphalt shingle roofs.

The northeast facade is a symmetrical elevation with a center entrance and flanking two over two sash windows. A gabled stoop covers the entrance and is supported by Tuscan columns. Each window is flanked by louvered aluminum shutters. Three evenly spaced two over two sash windows light the second floor. Narrow twin chimneys rise from the center portion of the house on either side of the stair.

The northwest and southeast gable ends are essentially alike with a single two over two sash window on each floor and a pointed two over two sash that lights the attic. The eaves are slightly extended with short returns at the base of the roof.

The southwest (rear) elevation of the main house is covered by a story-and-a-half one-room frame kitchen that predates the front portion of the house. According to the present owner, Mrs. Reba P. Long, this section was salvaged from an earlier building and moved to this site. The southeast side of the kitchen is covered by an enclosed shed roof porch, but located within the porch are exposed beaded weatherboards and a centrally located board and batten side door. Located in the adjacent bay is a six over six sash window.

The southwest (rear) elevation of the kitchen is marked by two 2/2 loft windows that flank the interior end brick stack. The gable end is flush.

The northwest side of the kitchen is distinguished by a centrally positioned late Federal period eight-panel door and adjacent six over six sash windows. The eave is finished with a simple board soffit.

The front portion has retained a large percentage of its modest late 19th-century woodwork. Most notable is the open string stair with a heavily turned newel post and turned balusters that support an oval profile handrail. Located on the back wall of each room is a four-panel door that opens into the rear kitchen.

The one-room interior has survived largely unchanged with a series of exposed, but undecorated, floor joists. Although the joists were not finished with decorative beads, their sides are so well planed that it is clear they were intentionally exposed from the start. The end wall paneling is a rare survivor of late Federal

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Despite its exterior layers of aluminum siding, the John T. Long house is a significant combination of a c. 1880 farmhouse and an earlier c. 1840 one-room kitchen that was salvaged from an earlier house. The kitchen retains some important examples of late Federal period woodwork with overmantel panels, a Federal mantel and a built-in cupboard and stair.

Description continued

period craftsmanship. A simplified five-part c. 1840 mantel is flanked by a glazed cupboard to the left and an enclosed winder stair to the right. A six-panel door separates the exposed steps from the boxed winder. A smaller flush panel door allows access under the steps. Located above the mantel is a series of eight flush rectangular panels with a narrow decorative bead along the inside corner. A curious feature is the three-panel hearth inset that covers the fire box when not in use.

The second floor of the kitchen is divided into two rooms by a stud wall partition. The second floor handrail has a slender square newel post with molded cap and rectangular balusters that support a circular profile railing.



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Northeast Elevation

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Southeast elevation
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